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(May 15, 2009 Amendment NOT ENTERED)

Dear Sir:

A request for reconsideration and amendment pursuant to 37 CFR §1.116 was filed on May 15, 2009 in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 22, 2009 regarding the above-identified application. On June 5, 2009 an Advisory Action was mailed which indicated the proposed amendment was not entered. This submission is being filed following a brief interview between the Examiner and Carlos Fisher on June 17, 2009 to define potentially patentable subject matter:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.